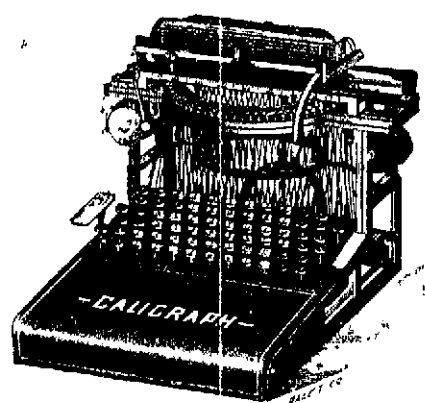

CALIGRAPHS.



We have accepted the agency for Central Illinois for the "CALIGRAPH" Writing Machine, the BEST WRITING MACHINE on the market.

We will be glad to explain it in detail to any one interested in these useful articles. Investigate these machines and you will never try to do your writing (even though you have only a moderate business) with a pen. We also carry a full line of SUPPLIES, RUBBERS, Etc., for all writing machines.

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Our business was established in 1855, thirty-two years ago, on the corner of South Main and Wood streets, where we are still located. The above fact proves conclusively that we have attained marked success in entering to the wants of the public, and should be accepted as a sufficient guarantee for the future. We can as before supply you with the best of everything in our line, and only ask for a continuation of the very liberal patronage heretofore bestowed, being satisfied that we can MEET all demands made upon us.

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LADIES' FINE SHOES.

The Largest Stock, including

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DAILY REPUBLICAN.

BOOTH OYSTERS!

Wholesale and Retail Agents,
DINGES & COOP.

TUESDAY EVE, OCT. 4, 1897.

LOCAL NEWS.

PANOR GLASSWARE—new designs and colors—**at E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & CO.** RUSSELL and fun to-morrow night.

The 118th reunion will occur on Thursday at the Park.

ARRANGE to see Tom Keene in *Hamlet* Thursday night.

The cost of the new fire house on Morgan street will not exceed \$3,000.

Goose fast—those Round Oak heating stoves at Lytle & Eckels' hardware stores.

The "Cattle King" play will be produced Friday night by the famous Walkie company.

WHITE LOAF flour is sold by all leading Decatur grocers.

After the expiration of ten days many new brook walls will be laid in different parts of the city.

YOUNG MEN attend the men's prayer meeting in the rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association, on Merchant St., at 7:30 o'clock this evening.

SECRET Vienna bread and other supplies for the table at J. Lytle & Co.'s family grocery store.

THE five members of the Ohio Church Choir concert company were guests at the New Deming hotel during their stay in Decatur.

ORDER the Hatfield & Co. White Flour sent to your home.

The Ohio Church Choir concert at the opera house last night drew a fair-sized audience. The programme was a fine one and was liberally applauded.

Most of our amusement goes will take in both the Russell and Keene performances this week. They are first class.

FINE family flour and choice groceries at Niedermyer's store on the Mound.

It is said that the Wabash matter is now practically settled, the committee of the first and second mortgage bondholders having agreed upon a basis of settlement satisfactory to both parties.

This contemplates the issue of a first mortgage 5-per-cent bond on the whole system east and west of the Mississippi river.

STOCK at Hanks & Patterson's popular grocery store at 143 South Water street, and get supplies for the table.

THE funeral of the late Mrs. Colton took place this forenoon, Rev. W. H. Pringle officiating. The body was shipped to Fairmount, Ill., this noon for burial.

BRANKERS, Shawls, Knit and Crocheted Goods, at the **CHAMP BROS.**

An important drainage canal has just been completed by the newly invented steam ditcher on Broadlands in the southeastern part of Champaign county. The canal is eight miles long and twenty-five feet wide on top. It drains about ten sections of very rich prairie land, more than half of which was suitable only for grass, and renders it all fit for cultivation. It also affords an outlet for the drainage on as many sections more. The adjacent lands, which were unsuitable at an average valuation of \$25 an acre, now readily command \$45, and \$50,000 worth, mostly in eighty-acre lots, has changed hands within six weeks. The contractors for this job are now at work on another similar ditch south of Lost Grove.

Buy good groceries and fresh Baltimore oysters at Knobe & Osborne's grocery store.

TELEPHONE to Smith & Son for Nicker butter.

OYSTERS, raw, stewed or fried, at Wood Bros.

THE Upright Piano is a specialty with **Haines Bros.**, and for beauty of finish, sweetness and richness of tone, they are not surpassed by anything to be found in the world.—*New York Baptist*

ALL kinds of upholstering goods in stock at A. Beer's, Lincoln Square.

A FULL line of first-class groceries, apples and other fruits, at Hanks & Patterson's family store, 143 South Water street.

MISSSES' and Children's Cloaks. Hundreds to select from. Our prices are lower than those of any other house in Decatur for similar classes of goods.

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GRAND FALL OPENING.

Notice the Date,

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4th.

SPECIAL BARGAINS!

Our Fall Stock has arrived, and we will have an immense display of Shoes—all styles, all prices.

We offer special inducements to our many patrons this week. Call on all last visitors this week. We will give a handsome souvenir. A handsome card given to the children.

The Ever Popular Shoe Emporium,

J. H. BLACK & SON.

New Grocery Store.

Miss Sallie Holland has opened a new grocery store at No. 112 North Water street, where she has a full line of groceries, which she offers the public at the lowest prices. She also sells bread, pies and cakes. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to call and choose goods.

WORKS repeating—Fey, a good school shoes, cheap.

THE CIRCUIT COURT.

Members of the Grand and Petit Jurors—Motions.

TUESDAY, OCT. 4.

Monday afternoon Judge Smith delivered his charge to the grand jury, and today the \$2,000 damage case of Malissa Dunham vs. W. L. Ferguson et al., has been receiving attention. The trouble grows out of the construction of the pleasure lake at Oakland Park. West of the Park Mrs. Dunham owns a 20-acre field that has been used as a pasture for cows. The confinement of the water in the lake, it is held, has been a damage to the pasture, as there has been no water in the branch for the cows, except in time of heavy rains.

THE GRAND JURY.

The instructions Judge Smith to the jury were brief and to the point, covering all offenses. The jurymen are Noah Jacobs, foreman, David Patterson, Richard Wier, W. C. Foster, J. A. Brennan, Samuel Hays, J. Hays, J. A. Childs, George W. Carleton, John M. Hughes, James H. Pikes, Basil Cooper, John Moody, G. D. Williams, Jesse Lockhart, M. C. Funk, J. T. Goodrich, C. C. Montgomery, John D. Smith, Samuel Shupp, W. P. Nicholson, W. M. Marshall and W. B. Robinson.

PETIT JURORS.

The petit jurors for the first two weeks are J. W. Briston, Patrick Hilda, George Shastad, Ira Rickford, W. J. Lane, George Sanders, E. Major, Robert Demery, Frank Halma, Wm. Bennett, C. B. Lockwood, Ira Hill, Frank Kame, J. P. Muehler, J. H. Hays, J. A. Childs, James Hosta, Jacob E. James, Jacob Lebo, Hilary Beall, John F. Martin, Edward Houston, William Newton and George Pa.

COPIES OF THE COURT REPORT.

Judge Smith has, under the new law, appointed Almon Granville circuit court reporter for Macon county, and he is now on duty taking notes of the proceedings in the court.

REPORTER FOR PLATT AND MOULTON COUNTIES.

The work in the three counties will give him good wages, the allowance being \$5 a day. He will make his home in Decatur.

COOPER LAW DOCK.

Marietta Dunham vs. W. L. Ferguson et al., trespass; trial by jury pending.

Thomas Davidson vs. S. P. Davidson, appeal, appeal, suit dismissed as per agreement on file.

I. W. Ehrman vs. William Maffit, attachment, proof of publication made, default, judgment for \$25, and costs, \$10, entered.

The county of Macon vs. W. V. Foster, assumpsit, leave to amend declaration, rule to plead extended to Monday next.

Angus Harpster vs. The Decatur Coal Company, trespass, leave to amend declaration on file.

CHANCERY DOCK.

People for use of Lovell Thompson vs. Francis May et al., chancery dismissed as per agreement on file at costs of plaintiff.

L. L. Burrows and Loribel Burrows, trustee vs. George E. Frost et al., foreclosure, proof of publication as to Priest and wife, decree pro confesso and referred to master.

Eliza Richardson et al. vs. W. L. Hays et al., partition, pay roll for W. L. Hays et al. appointed guardian for day.

YESTERDAY was the anniversary of the first day's battle of Corinth, October 3, 1862, when Governor Oglesby, then a brigadier general, was shot in the back while on his horse, the bullet penetrating one of his lungs. He was carried off the field supposedly in a dying condition, and taken to a hotel. The hotel was struck by a shell which just missed the Governor and his attendants. He came to Decatur and was here six months when he reported to Gen. W. T. Sherman for duty. Uncle Billy was angry when he saw Oglesby and told him to go back home and let the wound heal, but Dick wasn't made of that sort of stuff and went into the field again.

TO THE PUBLIC.

It is with pleasure we announce to the citizens of Decatur that

Saturday, October 8th,

we shall open in your city our *Decatur Clothing Palace*, and the day will be inaugurated as a *Grand Reception*. The entire stock is fresh from the best manufacturers of clothing in America, and all the appurtenances will be first class. We hope to merit a fair share of your patronage. A special feature shall be a special department of fine clothing for boys and children. Respectfully,

OTTEKHEIMER & CO.

A Legal Muddle.

When the Illinois Midland Railway, now the Peoria and Terre Haute Road, was built through DeWitt county, the people of Barnett township voted \$3,000 in bonds to aid in its construction. During the process of building it seems that the road was not carried along the original survey, but a new route laid out several miles distant. The bonds were never signed, and the people refused to pay them because of a violation of the contract by the railroad company. The matter went into litigation, and the Supreme court finally ordered that they be paid. Through various strategies their payments have been evaded, and now William Dunham, as representative of the railroad company, has brought suit against some ten or fifteen prominent men of the county, charging them with conspiracy to defeat the order of the Supreme court. He alleges damages of \$10,000. The original amount of bonds voted, together with the interest, is now \$7,500. The case is a very important one, and is attracting much attention. The railroad company has not been represented in the board of supervisors for years. At each election, however, a supervisor is elected, but he always refuses to qualify.

NOTICE.

There will be a new "Social Literary Circle" organized on Friday, October 7th, at 2 p. m., for the study of "American Literature." All ladies desiring admission to this class are invited to be present, whether members of any other organization or not. Place of meeting will be noted in Thursday's papers.

Mrs. J. H. Lewis.

FUN.

To-morrow night Sol Smith Russell appears in his new play, "Bewitched." This has never been seen here before. It was written expressly for Mr. Russell and he has met with the most flattering success with it this season wherever he has been. "Sol" has a host of friends and acquaintances in the city, all of whom will be on hand to greet him. The sale of seats has been large and a splendid entertainment is anticipated.

THE CATTLE KING.

This great frontier play will appear Friday night.

New York Times: Mr. James H. Wallick and his trained horses were received as old friends by a packed house at the Windsor Theatre last night, and the exciting episodes of the equestrian melodrama, "The Cattle King," were lustily cheered.

Mr. Wallick is a very popular, and his horses show the result of skillful training.

INSTRUCTION for beginning organ and piano pupils, with assistant teachers, eight dollars per term of twenty private lessons. Decatur Musical College, corner Main and William streets.

Sept. 14-15-16

Remember, you can get the only Booth Oysters at Dingess & Coop's wholesale and retail agents. [Sep. 25-26-27]

WOOD BROS. can get you up the most dish of oysters in the city. 24-25

A New Planning Mill.

The enterprising lumber merchant, Gaddis & Huff, have broken ground on the south side of Mason street, opposite their lumber office, for the construction of a three-story brick planning mill that will cost \$4,000 to \$5,000. It will be 60x80 feet in size, and will be ready for occupancy about January 1.

Sudden Death.

Elder Jacob Wagner was found dead in his bed at his home near LaPlace this morning, having died some time after 12 o'clock. The deceased was one of the Deacons of the German Baptist church, and was far advanced in years. He leaves a family and considerable property. His fourth wife survives him.

A Popular Judge.

The machinery of the circuit court is running smoothly under the broader generalship of his honor, Judge Smith. He has put the grand jury to work, has delegated to Sheriff Manzy the privilege of selecting his own bailiffs, and is promptly in his place on time attending to business on the bench. The Judge in vacation has been making fortunate investments in large blocks of real estate at Duluth and Minneapolis, but he never allows his lucky speculations to interfere with his duties as a judge. He came here from Paris where he appointed Rufus Cusack master in chancery for another term. A. J. Baber, president of the First National Bank at Paris, and all of the lawyers there are personal friends of the Judge, who always receives a hearty welcome in Decatur by members of the bar and citizens generally. There is truly no more popular judge in the state than Mr. Smith. He never makes any mistakes in rendering decisions.

Died Suddenly.

The telegraph tells of the sudden death of Hon. John B. Finch, of Nebraska, the temperance agitator, who has frequently spoken in Decatur. He died in Boston, Mass., last night. He addressed a temperance meeting at Lynn last evening, afterwards taking a train for Boston. On the way he was taken with a fit, and although everything possible was done, he died soon after reaching Boston.

Postponed.

Owing to disappointment by painters, carpenters, and artists in decorating, the Grand Opening of Otteheimer & Co.'s *Decatur Clothing Palace* is postponed until

SATURDAY, OCT. 8th.

When the formal opening will positively take place. A general invitation is extended to the citizens of Decatur and vicinity to attend the *Inaugural Opening Reception*, which will eclipse any business enterprise ever undertaken in this city. A handsome souvenir presented to every visitor.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Bassey are in St. Louis to-day.

Mrs. Frank Webb returned from Macon last evening.

John A. Brown is home from his business trip to Minneapolis and St. Paul.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Loeb have returned from Dayton and other points in Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Mueller are at St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Faries and daughter May are in St. Louis.

Mrs. Dr. Corman and daughter, Miss Lillie Corman, are in St. Louis, where they will remain this week.

Mrs. J. E. Boring and daughter and Weston Boring left for St. Louis yesterday.

Davis May and wife are at St. Louis to-day to see the distinguished visitors and the parade.

John P. Fred, editor of the Blue Mound Independent, visited the hub of the county to-day.

William E. Baker, of Topeka, Kansas, and Miss Luthera Sturges, of Decatur, were granted a marriage license to-day.

George Weldele, alto of the Ringgold Band, Terre Haute, left for Chicago with Goodman's Band to-day.

Mrs. Harry Clark, of Springfield, who was married recently at the African Methodist church in grand style, is in the city on a visit to her parents.

Captain and Mrs. D. Snyder, of Atlanta, Ga., who have been visiting in the city, left for home this morning, going by way of St. Louis.

Miss Annie McDonald, of the military department at G. H. Hatch & Co.'s store, is in Chicago making notes of the latest fashionable fashions in trimming hats.

Major G. R. Steele will arrange to go to Quincy with the state G. A. R. committee on the 13th to inspect the Soldiers' Home. Mr. Steele will represent the 14th central reserve committee.

Edward H. Grunewald, of the Wabash train dispatcher's office, this city, and Miss Mary E. Booth, of Springfield, will be married at the capital on Wednesday evening, October 12th.

Mrs. James I. Sanders, formerly Helen Moore, of Kansas City, Mo., accompanied by her two children, is visiting her mother and sister, Mrs. Gen. Moore and Mrs. Geo. R. Steele. She will remain during the present month.

Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Few and daughter and Miss Emma St. Clair left this morning for their future home at Chattanooga, Tenn., going by way of St. Louis. They were accompanied by Mrs. J. F. Orry, who will see the sights in St. Louis and return this week.

Official.

Two of the assistants of the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture returned to Springfield Saturday morning from Olney and say the financial outcome of the state fair has been a disastrous failure. They say the entire receipts did not exceed \$6,000, while the premiums call for \$21,000. The treasury had \$15,000 over from last year, so that the funds will be exhausted without making any calculation for the incidental expenses. They insist that the exhibits were never surpassed, and that with good weather the fair would have been amply successful. The Olney people are disappointed, and expect to be blamed for the failure.

Cloaks, Short Wraps and Jackets.

In complete variety, embracing some of the handsomest goods in the market. See and price them. **CHEAP STORE.**

Big 18.

"I HAVE taken, within the past year, several bottles of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and find it admirably adapted to the needs of an impoverished system. I am convinced that this preparation is a blood purifier, and is unequalled."—O. G. Dana, Pastor Congregational church, Andover, Me.

THE famous comedian, Sol Smith Russell, and the jolly company of artists in "Bewitched" will be at the opera house to-morrow evening. Their appearance is a rare treat, and we feel safe in predicting a large house and a thoroughly

They Pay Bills and Talk Long about Electric Light and Walks.

Mayor Kanan and all of the aldermen were present at the council meeting last night.

The communication of Dinges & Coop, asking permission to put a cloth sign across the walk in front of their grocery store, sign to be 10 feet high, was referred to committee with power to act.

Moritz Schurig asked a rebate of license for exhibiting automatic clock. Council voted a rebate of \$4 on the \$7 license.

I. D. Walker and J. K. Warren asked that a cobblestone gutter be laid on the west side of College street, from Macon to Decatur street. Referred to committee on streets and alleys.

The plan and specification for the new fire house on North Morgan street were read and referred to the fire commissioners and fire committee.

Property owners on south side of Central Park asked that an electric light lamp be put up on south side of the park. Granted.

Supt. Alexander reported 49,300 feet of lumber on hand; expenditures for September, \$1,644.88.

Engineer Barnett reported for September 345,355 pounds of coal used at water works; 22,044.777 gallons of water pumped; electric light engine run 168 hours and 30 minutes.

The report of Inspector Hammer was placed on file.

City Marshal Kanan reported for September a total of 72 arrests: fines assessed, \$1,084.40; collected, \$1,735.50.

City Treasurer Skelly reported to October 1 \$13,731.62 in general fund.

The report of Engineer Barnett on the test of Decatur and Niantic coal, made the water works, was read and sent to the water works committee. On the test made Mr. Barnett reports 1454 pounds in favor of Decatur coal for amount used; 201 lbs. in favor of Decatur as to ashes and 2480 gallons of water pumped in favor of Decatur.

Mayor Kanan and City Attorney Mills reported that the city has received the powder magazine on East Wood-st., as they are outside city limits. Adopted.

On Justice Odo's claim for fees in chain gang cases, the city attorney reported that the justice has paid \$7.65, which is 45 cents less than the claim. A warrant was ordered issued for the amount.

John Lindsay, L. Baldwin and J. S. Carter reported that it will cost a total of \$125 to open Lawrence street, from Broadway to Webster. It was adopted and voted that the necessary legal steps be taken to open the street.

The September reports of the Justices of the Peace were read and referred to the city attorney.

BILLS PAID.

Library claims; pay roll city sup't, \$1,644.88; pay roll city marshal, \$608.10; E. G. Grogan, \$18.25; Decatur Tile Co., \$22.91; pay roll fire dept., \$587.50; E. W. Hardy, \$36.25; pay roll city officers, \$343.95; Gaddis & Huff, \$3.57; Morehouse, Wells & Co., \$2.40; A. F. DeMaun, \$25; Heilman & Son, \$4.85; Jacob Bauer, \$15; John Park, \$1.70; G. Howell, \$12; A. Tuttle, \$8; pay roll water works, \$290; Herald, \$17.45; Starr & Son, \$4.55; Port Wayne Light Co., \$230.25; fire dept., \$2.15; Bacon & Co., \$10; Mrs. Martin, \$6; Globe Restaurant, \$4.65; J. Lindsay, L. Baldwin and J. S. Carter, \$3 each; J. S. Carter, \$1; J. R. Miller, \$29; Macon county Title Ab. Co., \$7.50; D. McVey, \$36; W. L. Hammer, \$30; E. B. Tuttle, \$274.31; Decatur Tile Co., \$5.80; M. C. Lilly, \$1.50; Review, \$3.25; G. Ammann, \$38; Review, \$3.85; W. W. Mason, \$3.20; H. Mueller & Son, \$190; Morehouse, Wells & Co., \$18; the gas bills were ordered paid. Referred to J. P. Best for \$3.25; H. Mueller & Son for \$3.85.

RESOLUTIONS.

By Shoemaker and Ferguson: That a cobblestone gutter be placed on north side of Eldorado street, from Jasper west to the branch. Referred.

By same: That Jesse street, from the intersection of the south end of Cerro Gordo street, be widened and filled. Referred.

By the Light Committee: That an electric light lamp be placed on south side of West Main street, at intersection of Pine street. Referred.

By Harwood: That the Janney Electric Light Co. be paid \$6,240, amount due for the purchase of the plant, the clerk to notify the company that no more money will be paid until a one hundred horse power engine is substituted for the one now in use. Adopted.

By Harwood: That a warrant be issued for \$640.70 to pay interest due on bonds. Adopted.

By Simpson: That the sidewalk on the north side of Wood street commencing at Pine street be finished. Referred.

By Harwood: That the mayor and marshal be instructed to prepare plans and specifications for a calaboose on the lot fronting on Short street, dimensions of calaboose not to exceed 32x30 feet on the ground and to contain four cells.

By Harwood: That the city clerk be instructed to advertise for bids for the construction of sidewalks where grading has been done, and proper notices be given, the contractor to receive payment when collections are made from the property in front of which sidewalks are laid. Adopted.

An ordinance in relation to burial permits was adopted. Under this ordinance no burial within the city or within a distance of half a mile of the city will be allowed, without first obtaining a permit from the clerk. The fee is 50 cents.

The mayor was authorized to sell the broken stone in the city yard to D. Martin.

Adjourned.

Attention, 116th Regt. Ill. Vols.

The annual reunion of the 116th Regt., Ill. Vols. will be held at Oakland Park, Decatur, Ill., Thursday, October 8th. All are most cordially invited to attend and to bring a well-filled picnic basket.

IRA N. BARNES, Pres't.

NOVELTIES in Ladies' Felt Hats, at B. Smith's.

MARRIED.

In his office by Judge Nelson, October 4, Mr. Alfred Davis, of Jacksonville, and Miss Katie Trout of Decatur.

October 7, 1897, by Rev. A. Height, at residence of M. G. W. Cook, Mr. Marion E. Phillips and Mrs. Mary H. Cullinan, all of Macon.

By Rev. T. W. Pinkerton, at his residence on the evening of Sunday, October 2, 1897, Mr. Edgar C. Decatur, and Miss Mary Warwood, of Livingston.

By Rev. T. W. Pinkerton at 6 o'clock p. m. on Monday, October 5, 1897, at the residence of the bride on North College street, Herman John of Watmore township and Miss Fannie S. Hall.

DIED.

